



NEWS RELEASE

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Excessive Heat Event Plans

The National Weather Service in Wakefield, VA has advised that the City will experience heat Indices of 100-104 degrees today. Tomorrow will not be as hot as today. The weekend will be back to normal temperatures. A heat advisory has **NOT** been issued. Citizens without air-conditioning may be affected. These citizens may visit their local Public Library or Community Center to take advantage of the air-conditioned facilities.

It is advised to drink plenty of water fluids and, if possible, stay in an air-conditioned building, avoid prolonged exposure to direct sunlight, check on relatives and neighbors and provide shelter and fresh water for pets.

The Fire Department/Emergency Medical System (Fire/EMS) personnel will be monitoring any increases in call volume related to heat illnesses during the next two days.

Hampton Roads Ecumenical Lodging & Provisions (HELP) will be driving vans throughout the city today, distributing bottled water and other cooling items..

Libraries and Community Centers will be open to citizens wishing to take a break in an air-conditioned building.

Community Center Hours of Operation

Kenneth Wallace Neighborhood Resource Center

Monday, Wednesday, Friday: 9:00 AM - 12:00 PM

Tuesday, Thursday: 5:00 PM - 8:00 PM

North Phoebus Community Center Hours

Monday - Thursday, 9:00am - 8:00pm

Friday, 9:00am - 7:00pm

Northampton Community Center

Hours of Operation:

Monday - Thursday, 7:00am - 9:00pm

Friday, 7:00am - 7:00pm

Old Hampton Community Center

Monday through Thursday, 10:00 am - 8:00 pm

Friday, 10:00 am - 7:00 pm

The Hampton Senior Center

Hours of Operation:

Monday - Friday, 8:30am - 4:30pm

West Hampton Community Center

Hours of Operation:

Monday - Thursday, 6:00am - 10:00 pm

Friday, 6:00am - 8:00pm

Library Hours of Operation

Main Library

Thursday: 9am-9pm

Friday: 9am-5pm

Northampton Branch Library

Thursday: 9am-9pm.

Friday: 9am-5pm

Phoebus Branch Library

Thursday: 10am-6pm

Friday: 10am - 5 pm

Willow Oaks Branch Library

Thursday: 9am-9pm

Friday: 9am-5pm

Citizens who wish to find more information on what to do during a heat related emergency can visit the Virginia Department of Health's website www.vdh.virginia.gov or call the 311 Customer Call Center at 727-8311.

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